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## **SEWAGE SPILL IN RAMONA IMPACT TO SAN VICENTE RESERVOIR BEING INVESTIGATED**

An estimated 82,500 gallon sewage spill occurred this morning near the 24000 block of San Vicente Road in Ramona. The spill, which was caused by vandalism of a sewer main line, started at 6:45 AM and ended at 9:15 AM when crews from Ramona Municipal Water District removed debris obstructing the sewer line.

The spill flowed into San Vicente Creek which ultimately flows to the San Vicente Reservoir. Signs warning of sewage contaminated water are being posted at access points to the creek within the San Vicente Golf Club.

According to the City of San Diego, the San Vicente Reservoir is not presently being used as a source of supply to its drinking water distribution system. Water quality monitoring is being conducted within the reservoir to determine if water recreation on Thursday and Friday will proceed as scheduled.

The State Department of Health Services, Office of Drinking Water has been notified of the spill.

*For more information on San Vicente Reservoir, please call the City of San Diego at 619-527-3121.*

*For more information on the sewage spill, please call Ramona Municipal Water District at 760-788-2211.*

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